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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Shimizu, et al.
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Group Art Unit : 2766
For : MOTION PICTURE ELECTRONIC
WATERMARK SYSTEM

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated January 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claims 2 and 10; and amend Claims 1 and 19.

REMARKS

The Examiner is requested to reconsider the rejection of claims 1 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over United States Patent 6,163,842 to Barton in view of United States Patent 5,960,081 to Vynne, et al.

Barton discloses an authentication system, for digital information in which data are embedded in a bit stream by modifying an original bit stream. The Examiner has cited the language within Barton at Column 4, lines 56 -59 which states: "Accordingly, precise reconstruction of the